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EXDIS FOR AMBASSADOR YOUNG FROM UNA

FOLLOWING REPEAT JIDDA 1961 ACTION SECSTATE INFO ADDIS ABABA,  
LAGOS, LONDON AND MOGADISCIO MAR 14.

QUOTE: S E C R E T JIDDA 1961

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SO, US, ET, PBOR, SA  
SUBJ: HORN OF AFRICA: SOMALI WITHDRAWAL

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1. CHARGE MET WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY UNDERSECRETARY  
MANSOURI ON MARCH 12 AND CONVEYED, IN DETAIL, THE  
POINTS CONTAINED REF A. CHARGE ALSO CONVEYED TEXT  
OF PRESIDENT'S PRESS CONFERENCE REMARKS ON THE HORN  
CONTAINED IN REF B. CHARGE EMPHASIZED THAT NOW THAT  
SIAD HAD ACTED TO WITHDRAW HIS TROOPS FROM THE OGADEN,  
THE USG WAS PREPARED TO TAKE THE NECESSARY STEPS TO  
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ASSIST THE SOMALI REGIME BOTH WITH DEFENSIVE MILITARY  
EQUIPMENT AND WITH ECONOMIC AID. WE ALSO HOPED TO  
PARTICIPATE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OBSERVER  
FORCE FOR THE OGADEN. IN TAKING THESE STEPS, WE  
HOPED TO ACT IN CONCERT WITH SAUDI ARABIA AND  
OTHER INTERESTED COUNTRIES. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED  
IN SAG REACTION TO OUR PROPOSALS.

2. MANSOURI REPLIED THAT SAG'S PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE WAS TO PRESENT THE OVERTHROW OF SIAD BY PRO-SOVIET ELEMENTS. SAG STILL BELIEVED THAT SIAD NEEDED MORE "FACE-SAVING" TO COVER HIS RETREAT FROM THE OGADEN. SAG WAS ALSO VERY INTERESTED IN THE REMOVAL OF CUBAN AND SOVIET FORCES, NOT ONLY FROM THE OGADEN, BUT FROM ALL OF ETHIOPIA.

3. CHARGE SAID WE HOPED TO PURSUE THIS LATTER OBJECTIVE BY DIPLOMATIC MEANS AND WOULD LIKE TO WORK WITH SAG. IN VIEW OF THE FAST MOVING EVENTS IN THE OGADEN, HOWEVER, THE TIME WAS SHORT AND WE WOULD APPRECIATE SAUDI VIEWS ASAP ON OUR PROPOSALS.

4. MANSOURI PROMISED TO TAKE UP THE MATTER PROMPTLY WITH THE "TOP LEVELS" IN SAG. WILEY UNQUOTE VANCE

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